Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 05 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 06 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 04 Dec 2021 at 16:43

Confidence: High for a reasonably fine but cold day Sunday and becoming very unsettled through next week but much lower for details and timing of rain and snow and strongest winds due to uncertainties over the track of a series of lows expected to pass over or close to the UK.

Headline for Sunday 05 Dec 2021: Becoming dry with sunny spells. Very cold but northwesterly gales easing.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 05 Dec 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	30%	20%	10%	10%	<05%	00%

Forecast for Sunday 05 Dec 2021

Weather: Clear spells and wintry showers overnight, the showers most frequent across northern hills. Then a bright day with some sunny spells, especially across southern and eastern hills with a few wintry showers, again mainly in the north, continuing. Dry with clear spells through the evening. Lying snow over higher summits drifting and blowing in the strong winds.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 40% across northern hills through the morning, otherwise around 75%.

Visibility: Occasional or periods of cloud above about 450-600m in north through the morning, otherwise cloud more occasional above 600m. Away from cloud visibility very good, falling to several kilometres in snow showers and perhaps a kilometre or less in any drifting or blowing snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	40/51 NW	43/55 NW	43/55 N	34/44 N	27/37 N	20/26 N	13/17 N	6/9 SW	14/19 S
600	31/41 NW	29/41 N	30/43 N	24/33 N	21/29 N	13/19 N	7/11 NW	3/5 S	10/15 S
300	20/36 NW	19/35 NW	20/38 N	16/30 N	15/26 N	8/17 N	4/8 NW	2/3 SE	6/13 S
Valley	22/38 NW	20/37 N	21/38 N	17/33 N	16/28 N	9/18 N	5/9 NW	3/4 S	7/14 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-11	-1/-10	-1/-9	-1/-7	-1/-6	-1/-5	-1/-7
600	1/-6	2/-6	1/-6	1/-6	2/-4	2/-3	1/-2	1/-1	1/-4
300	4/-2	4/-1	4/-2	4/-1	4/0	4/1	3/1	3/2	3/0
Valley	5/0	6/1	5/-0	5/0	6/2	6/3	5/3	4/3	4/1
Freezing Level*	800m	600m	600m	600m	700m	800m	800m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Gusts around 60mph over ridges and summits at first and, especially through the morning feeling bitterly cold.

Forecast for Monday 06 Dec 2021

Weather: Occasionally heavy rain and, briefly at lower levels and more generally above about 750m where blizzards possible, snow spreading east overnight and continuing through the morning. The rain and snow clear eastwards in the early afternoon with sunny spells and, especially in the north and west, occasional sleet or snow showers developing. Becoming mainly dry through the evening. Lying snow drifting or blowing in the strong winds over higher summits.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15-20mph increasing 30-40mph, gusts around 65mph over ridges and summits, veering westerly 25-30mph through afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance through the morning improving to 40% in north and west and 75% in south and east through the afternoon.

Visibility: Persistent cloud above 450m, with patches below, becoming occasional or, mainly in the west, periods above 600m in the afternoon. Otherwise visibility several kilometres in rain or showers but less than a kilometre in heavier snow and near zero in blizzards and drifting or blowing snow becoming very good at times in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Around plus 2 or 3 Celsius rising to plus 6 or 7 Celsius
At 800m: Around minus 2 Celsius, rising to plus 2 Celsius for a time in the morning
Freezing level: Rising to 1000m for a time in the morning, falling back to 600m.

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